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| closed in accordance with the practice unde | r <i>Ex parte Quayle</i> , 1935 C.D | . 11, 453 O.G. 213. | | |
| Disposition of Claims | | | | |
| 4)⊠ Claim(s) 1-13 is/are pending in the application | on. | | | |
| 4a) Of the above claim(s) is/are withd | rawn from consideration. | | | |
| 5) Claim(s) is/are allowed. | | | | |
| 6) Claim(s) is/are rejected. | | | | |
| 7) Claim(s) is/are objected to. | and a Comment | | | |
| 8)⊠ Claim(s) <u>1-13</u> are subject to restriction and/o | or election requirement. | | | |
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DETAILED ACTION

Election/Restrictions

1. Restriction to one of the following inventions is required under 35 U.S.C. 121:

- Claims 1-8, drawn to a CVD apparatus, classified in class 118, subclass
 729.
- II. Claims 9-13, drawn to CVD method with a moving holder, classified in class 427, subclass 255.1.

The inventions are distinct, each from the other because of the following reasons:

- 2. Inventions of Group II and Group I are related as process and apparatus for its practice. The inventions are distinct if it can be shown that either: (1) the process as claimed can be practiced by another materially different apparatus or by hand, or (2) the apparatus as claimed can be used to practice another and materially different process. (MPEP § 806.05(e)). In this case the apparatus as claimed can be used to practice another and materially different process such as a CVD method in which the wafer is not moved, or an etching method.
- 3. Because these inventions are distinct for the reasons given above and have acquired a separate status in the art as shown by their different classification, restriction for examination purposes as indicated is proper.
- 4. Applicant is advised that the reply to this requirement to be complete must include an election of the invention to be examined even though the requirement be traversed (37 CFR 1.143).
- 5. Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communications from the

examiner should be directed to Jeffrie R. Lund whose telephone number is (571) 272-1437. The examiner can normally be reached on Monday-Thursday (6:30 am-6:00pm).

If attempts to reach the examiner by telephone are unsuccessful, the examiner's supervisor, Parviz Hassanzadeh can be reached on (571) 272-1435. The fax phone number for the organization where this application or proceeding is assigned is 571-273-8300.

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